NISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): Under the Banaras Hindu University Rules for the Grant of Advance to the employees of the University, the advance for the purchase of conveyanc is sanctioned only to those permanent employees who have rendered more than 5 years of continuous service. All permanent employees who have rendered 10 years of continuous service are eligible for house building advance.

Losses in the Hotel Corporation of India

327. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Hotel Corporation of India (HCI) has been facing losses every year;

(b) if so, whether any probe has been made to ascertain the reasons of losses; and

(c) what remedial measures Government propose to take to cut down the losses and to improve its performance in every way?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE AND THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI MOTI LAL VORA): (a) Yes, Sir. The Hotel Corporation of India is incurring losses since 1983-84.

(b) Main reasons for the losses of HCI are:

(i) high depreciation and interest burden on the newly constructed Hotels at Delhi and Bombay;

(ii) inadequate response from Budhist pilgrim traffic to visit the Japanese style hotel at Rajgir.

(c) Following steps have been taken to improve the financial performance of HCI:

(i) intensified sales efforts,

(ii) training programmes to improve quality of service,

(iii) strict control on expenditure, and

(iv) improvement of services like Banquet and Conference facilities.

Sites Identified by Archaeological Survey of India for Conservation

328. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Archaeological Survey of India has identified sites and monuments throughout the country for conservation plans during the current plan period;

(b) if so, the details of the monuments and sites identified for conservation, State wise;

(c) the details of the amount allocated for each monument for conservation; and

(d) by when the work in this regard is likely to be commenced?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The details of the monuments and sites identified for conservation are appended as Annexure. [See Appendix CXLV, Annexure No. 10]

(d) The works are in different stages of implementation.

Decline in efficiency and professionlism due to appointment of Industrialists in the management of Air India and Indian Airlines

329. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state: